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**To:** [Michelle Havelka \(michelle.havelka@tceq.texas.gov\)](#)  
**Subject:** FW: West Fertilizer Plant Explosion, Information from Texas Dept. of Agriculture  
**Date:** Thursday, April 18, 2013 6:19:30 PM  
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**Michelle:**

I am passing on the following information that came from the Texas Department of Agriculture. See email string below. You may already know this but we have been told that West Fertilizer was a repackager or Pesticides/Herbicides. Therefore, they may have had bulk storage of pesticides/herbicides. This information needs to be confirmed and we should let law enforcement know so that they are aware as they access the site.

Thanks

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**From:** Eric Delgado [osc.eric.delgado@gmail.com]  
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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Vargo, Steve" <[Vargo.Steve@epa.gov](mailto:Vargo.Steve@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** April 18, 2013, 3:34:09 PM CDT  
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See below. Here is a link to the GrazonNext product.

<http://www.dowagro.com/range/products/grazonnext.htm>

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**From:** McMillan, Lee  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 18, 2013 3:16 PM  
**To:** Vargo, Steve  
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Here's the info you requested.

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**From:** Janet Fults [<mailto:Janet.Fults@TexasAgriculture.gov>]  
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**To:** Weller, Gregory; McMillan, Lee  
**Cc:** "[Randy.Rivera@epamail.epa.gov](mailto:Randy.Rivera@epamail.epa.gov)"  
**Subject:** West Fertilizer Plant Explosion

Just wanted you to know that Adair Grain Inc. (dba West Fertilizer Co.)  
was the plant that exploded last night.

This facility is a Producer Establishment for Dow AgroSciences for the product  
GrazonNext EPA Reg 62719-587. They are also a licensed Pesticide Dealer.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

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